(d) if so, what are the details of those members?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 1980-81 and 1981-82 (Two years).

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Shifting of Central Government offices from Calcutta

2168. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the Central Government head offices, which have been already shifted or are planned to be shifted from Calcutta;

(b) what is the total number of workers and employees in these Central Government offices; and

(c) what are the reasons for shifting of offices in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Cotton production

2169. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated production of cotton during the current year;

(b) what was the production last year; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to boost-production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b) All India production of cotton during the crop year 1986-87 was 70.2 lakh bales of 170 Kgs. each. As per current assessment, the production during the crop year 1987-88 is likely to be around 65 lakh bales.

(c) In order to boost the production of cotton and to improve its quality, a Centrally Sponsored Intensive Cotton Development Programme is being implemented in all the major cotton growing States, except Tamil Nadu. Under this programme, the production is sought to be increased by distributing certified seeds, laying out of demonstration plots and extending the package of improved practices for larger areas, etc.

Stockist of Hindustan Levers Ltd. in Delhi

2170. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of Stockists of Hindustan Levers Ltd., for different regions of Delhi for sale of washing soap/toilet soap; and

(b) whether any check is exercised by Government on arbitrary increase in the prices of the above categories of soaps which take place almost every month?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) Relevant information, as received from Hindustan Levers Ltd., is given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(b) The soap industry is not subjected to price and distribution controls by the Govt. The Government import every year Crude Palm Stearine/Palm Fatty Acid Distillate to